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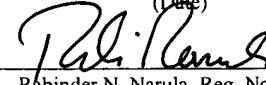
Applicant : M. Padget, et al.
Appl. No. : 10/790,671
Filed : March 1, 2004
For : DEPLOYMENT TOOL FOR
DISTAL BONE ANCHORS WITH
SECONDARY COMPRESSION
Examiner : G. Hill
Group Art Unit : 3738

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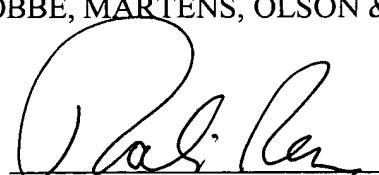
Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 22, 2005 in the above-identified application, Applicants elect without traverse the claims of Group II, Claims 11-23. Applicants also elected the Species A1 and BII. Applicants submit that Claims 11-15 and 17-19 read on the elected species.

Respectfully submitted,

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